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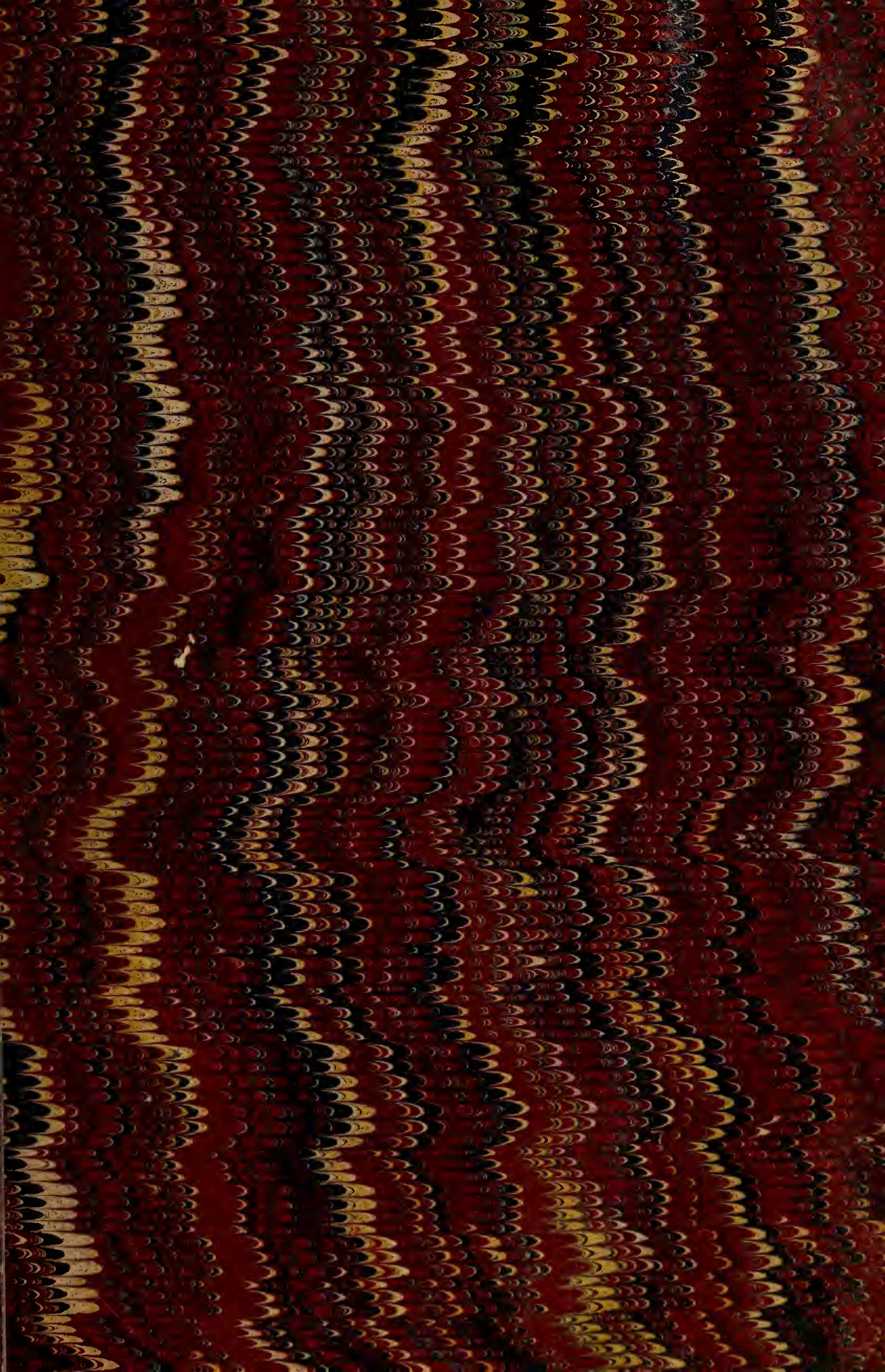
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Containing many Remarkable Events of the Adamic Race, Extracts translated from the long lost Books of Noah and Enoch, taken from the Ancient

SANSKRIT LANGUAGE,

Embracing much Valuable information on the

CORRECT NAME OF THE DEITY,

With numerous Translations from the Original Hebrew, never before rendered into English, with Notes on the origin of the

EGYPTIANS, PHENICIANS AND JEWS,

Their Arts and Mysteries, and the Discovery of the Initial Letters on the Seal of King Solomon.

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DEDICATION.

To the Highly Accomplished

MISS MAY ELLIOTT,

Generous and Amiable Lady, this little Volume is respectfully inscribed
to you, as a mark of our Appreciation of those Qualities which so
highly adorn you as a Scholar and a Lady ; and that this
slight token of regard may meet with your approbation,
is the wish of your Very Obedient Servant,

T. A. M. WARD.

PREFACE.

Ye who seek wisdom and are anxious to obtain knowledge, who love virtue, avoid evil and pursue good, who succor the poor and reward the just, who love truth, and are the friends of mankind, to you will we unclasp the records of the past, open the fountains of learning, unveil the mysteries of Osiris, and impart with a generous mind the wisdom philosophers have long sought in vain to bequeath to posterity.

Imparting a knowledge of those principles so essential for the improvement of the mind and the welfare of society.

Wise men, enriched with the wisdom of ages, have done little else than amuse the world with the theories and fables of old. Nations have amassed libraries of Learning; industry, science and art, have contributed their aid in the pursuit of this boon of inestimable worth; they have but pandered to the imagination; keeping eager energies ever on the alert with a constant prospect of successful triumph, and as often ending in the failure of unrealized anticipations.

But this is of a period belonging to the past, and is gone.— We live in an age of progress. With us, as with the yielding fruit in all its richness, we assume the self imposed task of opening the hidden knowledge of the world, and crowning with merited success the seekers of the long sought themes, wisdom and angelic knowledge.

Relative to the style in which the work is written, we would say, that though singular, it is nevertheless original, and adopted as being peculiarly commensurate with the nature of the subject. The resuscitation from the dead of Samicond, of Jambers, Arbaces and Aduni, of course, is merely imaginary, while the general outlines embraced on the face of the matter are facts.

CHAPTER I.

The secret of the soul; Its connection with the body prior and subsequent to the transition called death; The resuscitation of the corpus to life possible before its decomposition; Samicond of India; The commencement of Idolatry; Worship of the Bull and the White Snake; First Temple of Egypt; The Sacred Cord; Noah, Enoch and Seth the first Legislators; Atlantes; Egypt's settlement of China and Hindostan; The Deluge; Melchisedek; His origin; Pure Angelic Worship; God as a Principle; His trinal attributes; Correct Translation of the 26 verse of the 1st chapter of Genesis; the Spirit is Matter, always existed, Cannot be Annihilated; the Divinity in Man; Woman co-existent with Him; Man was before the Child, and the Tree was before the Acorn.

Illustrative of the laws of nature naturally peculiar to the physiology of man, is the circumstance of the soul remaining in the casket of the body as long as the corpus can be preserved from corruption.

Equally remarkable is the fact that spirits of the departed, when in rapport of individuals of earth, have power to communicate intelligence to man, circumstances well known to the inhabitants of the old world, and from which they were led to preserve the remains of their dead by embalming them, thus affording means whereby they were enabled to communicate with the spirits of the departed.

Possessing a knowledge of this secret and anxious to arrive at the hidden wisdom of the past, so long sought for by philosophers, I obtained from Egypt four coffins, each containing the body of an embalmed mummy; and, after a laborious task, succeeded in resuscitating into life again the distinguished persons whose names and characters are given at the head of their several narratives, in their proper place.

The sarcophagus containing the body of Samicond was taken from the Necropolis near Thebes, in Egypt, where it had reposed in peace for centuries.

On the lid of the casket containing the mummy, were many curiously wrought glyphs—symbols of occult meaning, the arcana (secrets) of the sacred Order of its occupant.

Samicond, when on earth, officiated as High Priest of the Most High God, and was of the same order and after the days of Melchisedek, who was Priest and King of Salem.

The presence of this ancient being reminded me of the story

of the Phenix arising from its ashes, and as the spectre shook from his mantle the dust of ages, it seemed as though the ruins of empires had been piled upon him.

Giving him at once permission, and urging him to speak, he proceeded to tell the story of his pilgrimage on earth in his own peculiar way :

“I lived ere the Nile pursued her present course or became a sacred stream ; before the erection of a Sphinx or a Memnon, long before men adored the bull or worshiped the snake.—Around my neck I wore the sacred cord,* and about my waist the starry belt,† and my name will be found in deep characters traced on stone, when the winds shall have scattered the sands from the Nubian desert.

“My residence was in the great “Temple at Delhi,” where I officiated as High Priest forty-two centuries before Moses was born, ere Jaunnes or Jambers left the loins of their ancestors. And accompanied by Aduni,‡ a priest of my own order, hastened to consecrate in Egypt the first temple ever built in that country to the worship of the true God. My name was cut on the stones of this building, and Aduni’s was put on the stone in the north-east corner of the Temple. On the demolition of the Temple, in after ages, many of its stones were carried to Memphis and other places, and as these early periods become familiar to travelers they will encourage investigation and discoveries will yet be made confirming all we have told you. Priests were established and temples erected, to preserve and perpetuate to posterity the pure Angelic religion—the true mode of worship—homage rendered to the spirit God.

“The Adamic fall was an apostasy of Adam only (Hebrew Adm—mankind in general,) and not of all mankind ; for in the celestial regions of Asia, the Gins and some other nations avoided that fall, and have held the pure primitive doctrines || from time immemorial, until a very late period. True Religion was partly restored by the Menus or legislators, Seth, Enoch, and Noah, and other Patriarchal sages whose doctrines can be

* The Sacred Cord means the Seneca worn by the priests of India at this day.

† The colors of the belt represented water, earth and sky.

‡ Aduni was the father of Samicond, the latter called him his Lord. Aduni Abi—my Lord.

|| The doctrine of the primitive religion will explain that passage of Scripture in the “New Testament.” where it says, “Christ went and preached to the spirits that were in Prison.”

traced among the Girs and the Hindoos. Other branches are found as far as Japan, in the Sin-to worship of God, which consists in rendering worship to him through spirits. The Druids, and the Indians of North and South America, from the north as far south as Peru, all follow in the same path.—This sacred worship must not be confounded with solar worship or with zabeism of Persia and Arabia.*

“The idea that the Jews were the first recipients, or that the Hebrew was the first language spoken by man, is preposterous. The Jews were not even a nation until long after Egypt had exercised her power over a large part of Africa. They are not as ancient as the Egyptians, for this would give to them a language prior to that people, usurping honors belonging to others and leaving the hypothesis of the antiquity of language as unsettled and as much a problem now as it was in the days of Ptolemy, king of Egypt. The first settlers of Egypt were called the Palis, and were from the interior of India.—The Jews and Arabs are brethren, being originally the same people, a part of whom were by the Egyptians subjugated, and forced to servile labor up to the time of their flight under Moses.

“China and Hindostan have remained nations from a very early period in the history of man; they have, however, undergone some changes but meanwhile have remained nations.

“The apostacy of Adam was eating unclean flesh, followed by deceit.

“Immediately after the deluge, Noah re-established the Holy Angelic Religion, erected a circular temple, and ordained his first born son Shem, High Priest. Shem was priest prior as well as subsequent to the flood, and was called Melchisedek, (Angel of Justice.) (Shem in Hebrew, is CM.) By this means the true worship was preserved for the universal good of man. At an early period of the world’s history when the entire atmosphere was pure, and man had not yet departed from truth, communication between men and angels was of free and easy access. As the atmosphere became tainted and man demoralized, priests alone held interviews with angels, always meeting for that purpose in their temples, and on the most holy and

* Nubia and Egypt are to be understood to mean the same country.

sacred places. The God we adore is a spirit, and the commencement of religion was homage rendered to the spirit God.* The manner of worship was like this: The suppliant previous to entering into the "Holy of Holies," would perform the most careful acts of cleanliness, both in food and body, for seven days, during which time there must be no communication between the sexes. The whole of the body being perfectly clean and clothed in white raiment, was thus prepared by prayer. In this state of purification, the person, who was generally the High Priest, entered the Penatrah of the Temple and with uplifted hands, facing the east, called on the Great "I Am," and thus made known the burden of his prayer, to which was always given a ready response by the Spirit of Good. Thus we have explained the way in which man can consult his Creator, (a knowledge anciently known only to the priests,) who sends his holy Angels to influence the mind with good and shield the body from harm.

"God is a principle,—trinal,—male and female,—possessing attributes more numerous than man can understand. And His impress will be found in everything in nature. It is this principle that Moses alludes to when he says that God "created man in His own image." †

"We will make use of a figure to illustrate this to the understanding. When we say that God is Trinal, we mean that all nature is physically and characteristically so, and that everything in nature resembles a triangle or has such an impress stamped upon it, and in this respect resembles Deity. The mouth of the infant, the nose of the man, the eye of the insect the shape of the fish, the head of the ox, the form of the reptile, the fangs of the serpent, the tree in its foliage, the thorn on the bush, the rose in the garden, the vegetable, the grain of the field, the seed of the earth and the fruit of the tree, have all stamped upon them the unmistakable impress of the Deity.

* The nation of Jins or Gins, from which our words genii and genius are derived, are residents of Asia, and are the oldest people on earth. Their religion, the pure angelic religion before the fall, was the worship of one God, the Creator and Moral Ruler of the Universe; that there was a future life and judgment to come, over our actions in this life; and that sins might be forgiven by repentance. The primitive belief in God and His Divine Influence, has been the base of all Religions ever since, in its infancy it was called the "Golden Age." The Jins have preserved their Religion down to the present time.

† That passage in the 1st chapter of Genesis, 26th verse; reads in the Hebrew language different from our translation; here it is: "Adm Bylumnu Xdmuhnu," Adam in this case means mankind; for it is in the plural. We here give the sentence properly rendered into English. God is speaking through his Angel, "let us make a new kind of men superior in their species like unto Angels." See this subject in the Appendix.

Matter has always existed and cannot be annihilated. The Spirit is matter, and of so refined a nature that it can neither be seen or felt. When that transition termed Death takes place, and *man* departs from life, overburdened with the cares of the sinful, the soul remains behind; the minerals, the bones, and flesh, that once composed the body, again mingle with their elements, while the spirit takes its departure to the planet of spirits of a like congeniality. The spirit is the Divinity within—all men have it—it is the principle, the immortality of man, that never dies, which has stamped upon it progress; upward and onward through millions of years and ages, which times the tongue can never tell.

“Man is next to God and part of Deity. Those whom men call angels, are but the spirits of beings that once existed on this earth. Man is trinal both physically and mentally. Physically, he possesses bones, flesh and skin; mentally, he has mind, soul and spirit. He is spiritual, mental and physical.—For all this he was not created in the image of his Maker, for God is a principle. Neither was man immediately created, he was developed into existence by the laws which Deity established for the government of the planet on which he exists.*

“Therefore, we say that man was developed into existence by Nature’s laws. Mankind did not originate from one family there were five different tribes, from which man sprang. Adam was not the progenitor of any of them, but there was a person by that name preceded by thirty generations in his own tribe.† The story of Adam (when considered individually) and his connection with the creation, is an invention; but taken as Adam, the mankind in general, there is some truth in its foundation. Woman came into existence at the same time, being co-existent with man. The saying is a beautiful illustration of a figure equally truthful “that woman was made of a rib taken from man.” She was not taken from his head to rule over him nor was she taken from his feet that he should trample on her, but from his side, that she might be his equal through life.”

* Shortly after the development of the five different tribes of mankind, and their increase on the Earth, Angelic spirits appointed themselves teachers to men, whereby knowledge was introduced among them, which was the commencement of education on earth.

† The descendants of Seth called themselves “Beni-Ieue,” Sons of God.

CHAPTER II.

Aduni's account of early events—Organization of the planet Earth—Development of the Fish—Birds—Animals—Man—Formation of the Moon—Purity of Atmosphere—Correct translation of Genesis 1, 26—Descendants of Seth—Sons of God—Who they were—Dionysians—Osiris—Isis and Horus—Atlantes and its inhabitants—Pyramids, and the Rites performed in them—Joseph a Mason—Knowledge impressed on the brain—Worship of the Sun and Moon—Record kept by God—Written in Geology—Solomon's Temple—Keystone—Urim Thumim.

"The earth was seven thousand years organizing into its present form. The rocks had first to harden into stone and the earth into solids. The tree was seven hundred years hardening into wood. Next came the development of fish, seven times seventy species in the genero of their kind. Next came the birds of the air, after these came animals, and last of all came man. During the organization of the earth into its present form, there were thrown off from it, fragments which formed the nucleus of our moon, a new planet, which passed through a similar process, peculiar to that which had characterized the earth, and in its general phases is similar to this globe.

"The account of these events are preserved in Egypt, written in hieroglyphics, but a city will yet be discovered in the interior of India, many feet underground, where these events and their traditions are preserved written in the Sanscrit language, together with a knowledge of the Arts and Sciences, that will put to blush some of the proudest cities of modern times.—The account goes back forty-two thousand years.

"At an early period of the world's history, when the atmosphere was light and free from impurity, angelic spirits conversed with man face to face in tongues distinctly heard. But there is no such thing on record as connexion ever having taken place between angelic spirits and earth's inhabitants.—That passage of your Bible which says, "and it came to pass when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born unto them, that the Sons of God saw the daughters of men that they were fair; they took them, wives

of which they chose," must be interpreted thus: Many of the tribes, to distinguish themselves from the "children of evil," styled themselves "Sons of God," or they sometimes used expressions like these. "We are the Sons of God, and you are the Sons of Men." * This was the case with "Jesus of Nazareth," and others offering repentance and forgiveness to sinful men. It was simply a mode of expression, customary in olden times.

"From this early state of innocence and purity, man soon fell into idolatry, consecrating rivers—worshiping animals, insects and trees. The two rivers—the Ganges and the Nile, were colored as adored streams. The first idolatry originated in the worship of the White Bull, which was first used by the Priests, to show from its whiteness, the purity of God. It commenced in India, and the practice spread rapidly over the Eastern world, through Nineveh, Babylon and many other cities. The inhabitants of the two first cities, exhibited the animal, sculptured in marble, with wings, promulgating the report among the people—that it was by aid of wings that the animal reached the earth, having left Heaven to dwell among men, in order to receive their homage as a God. The lower orders of the people were taught to believe that the Bull could fly, like angels are reported to have done in days of old. When ignorant people believed that they had wings made of quills, resembling those of geese, by the aid of which they were enabled to move through to the place of destination. The higher classes, however, did not follow the people in their opinion, but were contented to render their homage to the true God.

"The next in the line of animal worship, was the serpent. The white snake. This animal of all the snake kind, is the only one that is triangular in its form. In after ages, when mankind became corrupt, and lost to all moral sense of the true religion; as well as to the use for which these symbols had been used, the Bull and the Snake, they were worshiped as idols. The Bachannalians first started snake worship among men—they carried them in their hands, and around their heads. The Greek name of Bacchus, is Dionysus, and in the Sanscrit language, it is "Naash"—in Hebrew, "Naasha," and called

* See this subject in the Appendix.

by the natives of Hindoo, "Deva Naash," the "God Snake," from which by custom comes Deo. Naash and Dionyous, equivalent to the God Naash, or the serpent God. Thus from the snake worship, originated the order of the Dionysians, whose mysteries were celebrated through out the Eastern world. In Greece, the murder of Bacchus, by the Titans, is taken from the Egyptian mysteries, in which Osiris is slain by his brother Typhon. * The same may be said of the minor degress in masonry. Osiris is but changed, and Hiram takes his place.

"Although India was the seat of learning, and that part of the world, where idolatry took its rise, it was by no means the only place of learning, it flourished on a great Continent, called Atlantes,† now no more; which was almost as large as the Continent of America. This part of the globe went down in an earthquake, in one of the world's convulsions, and can now be seen, at times of a calm, under the waters of old ocean; where columns, Palaces and Temples may be distinctly seen. It connected itself with America, with Europe and Africa. And the people, thereon, as far north as the great lakes, were in constant intercourse with each other. There were large cities on these lakes, and very many back of them, and on the various rivers; one in particular, we will mention; because its ruins are to be seen at this day. This was on "Rock River," in Wisconsin, extending for twenty miles along its banks. It was a great city, and did not pass into decay till long after the "Macedonian Goat," ceased his career of blood. (Alexander the Great, was called the goat by the prophet Daniel.) The mines of Copper along these lakes were wrought by the people of that day; they even used tools made of that material, so highly tempered that they would bear comparison with modern steel. Those called the Indians of America, are not their descendants, but some of the South American Aborigines are, and a few, also, of them, greatly degenerated, are to be found in Mexico. The inhabitants of whom we are speaking, were in stature similar to the Indians, or larger, they would bear comparison with the Anglo Saxon race. The Mexicans, like

* Typhon, Prince of Darkness.

† Atlantes joined Africa on the North, Europe on the South, and America on part of South America.

the Italians, by sexual indulgence and violation of the laws of consanguinity, have reduced themselves to what they now resemble, a race of Pigmies.

“Much information on these topics is preserved, written in hieroglyphics, in the Pyramids of Egypt. These Pyramids were not only used as the repositories of learning, where knowledge was kept from the uninitiated; but as places where the true God was revealed to the Neophyte, on his introduction into the sublime mysteries. In them were also chambers for the reception of Egypt’s kings, where the silent dead reposed in stately magnificence, to sleep the sleep of ages. There were other chambers here, for the purpose of performing the rites peculiar to the Hindoo, Egyptian mysteries, which had often been done in the vaults of the great temples at Elephanto and at Delhi. These rites are still performed in the Sin-to worship. Egypt conveyed them to Phoenicia, where they flourished as the Dionysian mysteries; and at the building of Solomon’s Temple, were merged into the sacred rites of the Jews, by the mutual consent of the two kings, Hiram and Solomon, and the Pontiff of Tyre, Master Hiram.* The grand object of the order was to preserve to mankind a knowledge of the true worship. Notwithstanding, the society was instituted to preserve to mankind the knowledge necessary for his improvement, and the worship of the true God, it has often been prostituted by its votaries, for purposes adverse to those for which it was first formed. It was of some little use at an early day, and during the “dark ages of the world,” for the instruction and protection of men, but as that object has been accomplished, the society is no longer necessary, and might be discontinued with the greatest advantage to a free government.

“It must not be forgotten, that during the career of man in the worship of idolatry, and during the dark ages of the world, that it is to this fraternity that Europe is indebted for the preservation of the correct worship of the true God, and a knowl-

* The Masons did not originate with these men, but at this time the present order and the harmony that characterizes it, was instituted by its members. It took its origin far back in the early ages of the history of the world. In Joseph Israel’s (the son of Jacob) day, masonry, as it is now called, was in its zenith, and he was one himself. And some time after the visit of his brethren to Egypt, had two of them initiated into its mysteries. It was this new arrangement of the Order, in Solomon’s time, that has since led many modern Masons to infer that it took its origin at the building of the temple, which is not the case. See the word Hiram in the Appendix.

edge of the arts and sciences. I was High Priest in my day, and the tenets of our creed were not only secret but sacred. There were secrets belonging to our order, not written in any language, but impressed on the brain of the Bramins, and not yet to be communicated even to you. Were one to know and understand these things, he could command the power and wealth of India, and overthrow the Eastern world. Would you have me divulge them? Would you make known the secrets of one of the most ancient societies in existence; that every miscreant might become the unworthy recipient of a bounty he did not deserve, or of a generous charity on which he had no claim? When man is truthful and can trust himself, and is prepared to receive this knowledge, it shall be committed to his charge.

“The lower classes of the people of Egypt worshiped the sun and moon, under the names of Osiris and Isis, the God of Day and Queen of Night,* while the better informed among the people, worshiped the ever living God, the allcreative power, which *was, is, and ever will be, without beginning and without end!* A class of the people used these symbols as veils behind which they worshiped the real Deity, while others used them as instruments to indicate the presence of God during the day and in the night. They believed in the dual principle of God, “male and female.”

“We have said that India holds within her temples the records of forty thousand years. But there is another record which has been kept by the Angel of God, of times, periods and epochs, a record kept by the everliving God, written on continents and on the everlasting rocks, it is geology, a record which can never be effaced nor forgotten. And India will yet be the pride of the old, as America will be the glory of the new world.

“There is a tradition among men said to have emanated from Enoch, that the world was to undergo two changes, one “by fire and the other by water,” the latter called the deluge. A written account of the flood has already established the fact of its action. But there is not a general account, so universally known, as that the world was ever destroyed by fire, conse-

*Many of the ancients believed that there were two Gods, the sun and moon, and that Horus was the child or product of the two. Hence the idea of the Trinity, three in one.

quently men look for the fulfillment of this part of the tradition. Wise men may philosophize as they please, and look for its coming but they will wait in vain for its realization, for it is already past. The first great change for the purification of the globe, was by fire, which was long before the flood. The second transition was the flood, both of which changes were necessary for the progressive development of the earth. The first of these events passed away ages before my day, and years before *Brahm*, after whom came *Brachman*,* thence *Vishnu*, after whom came *SIEVA*, about which period Memnon, of Egypt began to be worshiped as a God. The gods of India, Vishnu, Sieva and Brahm, were dead men deified.

"A third change of the globe is now in operation, but of a character differing, in a material point of view, from the two former changes. It began after the year 5836, correct time, or according to common era 1832, and will have terminated before the close of the year 5884, correct era, or common time 1880. We are not now permitted to speak much on this subject, and will defer it, until the publication of the second edition of this volume.

"The Jews, having lost all account of these changes, already past, because they were contained in the "lost book of Enoch," (only lost to the Hebrews) suppose that the transition by fire is yet to come. But they are in error and the idea is a chimera. The people of central Asia preserved these traditions, handed down from our first parents to whom they had been imparted by the Divine influence. And we commit them to your charge as truths on which you can depend with certainty. The all-creative spirit also imparted to the progenitors of our race, his holy name, "I Am," (Sanskrit Aum.) He has another name, not written, but impressed upon the brain, and seldom spoken, because it is the secret theme of our holy science.† By the power of this name wonders can be performed; this name, ineffable, omnific, and holy, commands the spirits of those long since departed to return to earth, to counsel wisdom and advise the good. The symbol for the Deity used by many nations of my day, was the lily. This was particularly the case in

* Brahm or Brachman is the origin of Abraham. In the Sanskrit language, it means priest or wise teacher.

† See this subject in the Appendix.

India. These nations, of course, had, besides these names, another, which was never pronounced in the hearing of man, save on that occasion when it was handed by the High Priest to his successor. The Jewish Rabbins make a sacred science of this word, which they contemplate in silence. The Bramins of India do the same thing. Whenever the Rabbins came to this word in the Scripture, they substitute the word Adonia in place of it. Pythagoras, the Greek, who received most of his instruction from Prince Daniel (called Prophet) while President of the college at Babylon, instructed his countrymen on returning to Greece, that this sublime knowledge was to be imparted to them through the science of figures. Daniel always wore around his neck a cord (the Senca), to which was attached a small plate of gold, having in its centre a powerful burning glass, engraved on which were the characters of the Tetragrammaton,* the holy name of God. This plate was called the "Urim Thumim.† (Aurim vet Tumin.)

"The crystal fixed in this plate of gold was so contrived as to open and shut; when open it received the rays of the sun reflected from a mirror of polished steel, which reduced it to a small focus, and, being diverged from its course, was thrown on wood, from which fire and flame were ignited by the powerful heat of the sun. This was the manner in which the ancients caused "fire to come down from Heaven." King Solomon resorted to this artifice at the dedication of the Temple of Jehovah, in order to make fire consume the sacrifice.

"That part of the religion of the ancients known as consulting the oracle, was followed by the Jews under the term of "Enquiring of the Lord."

"The temple of Jehovah was one of the most superb and magnificent buildings ever conceived by the ingenuity of man. It was modelled after the style of the temples of India, Assyria and Egypt. The most beautifully decorated and the most richly ornamented of any building that had ever preceded it. Its magnificence was truly sublime. The seams where the stones were put together were so close and fine that they could

*Tetragrammaton is the same in Greek as it is in Hebrew.

†The Urim Thumim, (Aurim vet Tumin) previous to the building of the Temple by Solomon, was preserved in the great Temple of Belus, built by Nimrod, (Nmrud in Hebrew) and subsequently retained with great care in the Temple at Heliopolis, in Egypt, from which place it was taken by the priest who accompanied Moses in his flight from Egypt.

scarcely be seen by the naked eye. Under this magnificent structure were nine vaults, in the ninth were kept the utensils generally in use in the temple. The most sacred relics, however, were secreted in the key-stone, which was hollow, and the opening of the hollow part placed with its face toward the east. On the outside of this stone was the five pointed star, with the two initial letters of Solomon's name. The "key-stone"* was placed over the arch in the ninth vault, and so adjusted as to meet the eye on entering the vault. This vault was under the north-east part of the building. In the interior of the stone, in the hollow part, was deeply cut the sacred name of God, consisting of four letters. Over the opening in this stone was a piece of the same material, which closely fitted in a groove concealing its opening.†

"The Temple of Belus was the well known "Tower of Babel." Its name is a corruption of Aba and Bel. The proper translation of which is Aba Bel, that is, God the Father.—The temple of God, the Father, is, therefore, correct. Many persons, without knowing it, have destroyed the sense of the word, by dropping the letter a, and joining the two words together. Its meaning, in Hebrew, is confusion. The temple, though in every way similar to those built afterwards, in different countries, was greatly inferior to the one Solomon built for Jehovah."

* Solomon's Temple was built on Mount Moriah, where Shem had officiated as High Priest both before and after the flood. Solomon's name was Solomon Israel. The two letters and the five points, in the star or double triangle, of the King's seal, represented the seven senses and the seven ages of man. (The ancients believed that seven senses were peculiar to man.) The seven senses were, seeing, hearing, feeling, smelling, tasting, with the senses of motion and the sense of speech. Motion is walking.

† The Talmudists, compilers of the Hebrew Bible, say that this seal was inscribed on the corner-stone of the Temple.

Adonia, Hebrew word for Lord.

Daniel, while at the head of this College, instituted for the education of his countrymen, was assisted in his labors by Ezekiel, subsequently the Author of one of the books of the Bible. Both of these Princes were detained at Babylon, honorable prisoners.

CHAPTER III.

The account of Jambers; Moses an Egyptian General; Jaunnes and Jambers opponents of Moses; Moses marriage; King Tharbis; Moses copies his book from the Egyptian records; The Palis; Moses not a Jew; his parentage and place of birth; the river Nile and the Maidens of Egypt; Initiation of Aaron; The Mosaic and Egyptian religion the same; Changing the Rod into a Serpent; Making it Bud and Blossom; Washing the Hands in Boiling Oil; Separation of the Soul from matter, and Decomposition of the Human Body; What is Death; The Transition; The Soul or Spirit in Progress; Mahomet; Socrates; God is a Principle; What is Trinity; Trinal and Trinity two different words; The Water Snake; Performing Miracles.

“I lived in the days of Egypt’s early pride, and was cotemporary with Moses, against whom Jaunnes and myself had been commanded to array ourselves and defeat his miraculous pretensions. Though commanded to defeat him, we determined to offer but little opposition and disappoint the selfish ambition of the King, for the reason that Moses had in contemplation the establishment of a new nation, with whom was to predominate our holy religion, in that part of the world where the true God was unknown. Therefore we had no desire to hinder him, but afforded every means in our power to accelerate his glorious design. With this object in view we opposed him with inferior skill, that he might easily overcome us, and successfully triumph in accomplishing his grand design.”

“Moses was once a General in command of the Egyptian army, and in a war against Tharbis, king of Ethiopia, conquered that personage, and married his daughter. He also married the daughter of Jethro, priest and king of Midian. He was learned in the mysteries of Egypt, and in the pure celestial religion. He delivered the Jews from Egyptian bondage and gave them a new written law. He only wrote two books, “Genesis and the Law.” * His religion differed from the patriarchal observances, filled up with mysterious emblems, borrowed from Jethro, to give a sanction to his new religion, using his knowledge of nature to perform apparent miracles, all of which have since been easily explained. His system was a Theocracy. Moses acted as the Sagan, (Hebrew Sgn) Deity of Aaron.

* These two books were copied from the Sacred Books of the Egyptians.

(This word Sagan means Prince.) His civil laws were similar to those of the Palis, who settled Egypt, and also resembled the Arabs. The government was the same, and the people were divided into tribes, with, a Senate and a Priest-hood, with Judges, Physicians and Teachers. In his departure from Egypt he was accompanied by seventy Priests (Egyptians) who constituted the High Court of the Nation, having jurisdiction of all civil and criminal proceedings, and no one could be put to death without their judgment. Moses was not a Jew, as is supposed, but an Egyptian, both by birth and parentage. His mother was Thurmuthis, the daughter of the King, and his father was Jaunnes, High Priest at Heliopolis, in Egypt. In days of yore I wandered through the streets of Thebes, of Memphis and old Cairo.

“In the latter city, Moses lived, I often conversed with him, and knew the Hebrew Aaron well. The narrative of his birth and his connection with Hebrew origin, and his having been found in an Ark, floating in the river near the banks of the Nile, is without foundation in truth, and was written by Moses for sinister purposes. Neither is the story true that the daughters of Egypt restored to this stream to perform their ablutions, or that persons bathed in its dark and muddy waters. The river was then, as it is now, infested with crocodiles, which made it not only imprudent, but even dangerous for females to approach its banks. Therefore, the story of Moses, his birth and his connexion with the Hebrews, otherwise than is here given, is fabulous. He was both of priestly and royal descent, yet, in Egypt, he could neither reign king nor officiate as high priest. The account of his having slain a man in the heat of passion is true, it is also true, that he was an Egyptian *General*, and that his hands had already been stained with blood in the wars against the Ethiopians; for which reason Moses could not officiate as Priest. He could confer degrees of his sacred order on others, and did so on Aaron, one of the chief men of the bondsmen Jews. By this means Aaron became initiated in the sacred rites of the holy worship of the true God, and was, therefore, the brother of Moses, not by the laws of consanguinity but by initiation. Thus the religion of Egypt became engrafted among the Hebrews, and Aaron, formerly a brick-maker, exalted to the office of High Priest.

“Concerning the remarkable exploits of Moses before the King, and the manner in which he accomplished them, which many pious and ignorant persons called miracles. We will proceed to explain. The rod was made to bud by placing it in luke warm water, where it remains for a few days, after which it buds, in a few days longer it blossoms. Moses used a sprig of the Almond Tree, but a branch of the Peach Tree will answer the same purpose. When Moses was about to perform the feat of changing the rod into a living serpent, he suddenly entered the great Hall of Egypt’s assembled wisdom, holding in its outstretched hand, what appeared to be a rod, but which in reality was a serpent, which is held by the neck, immediately behind the head, this he thrust upon the floor, where in a few moments it moves with animated life. Mysterious as may seem the exploit, it is done by holding it tightly between the thumb and fingers, immediately behind the head, checking the circulation of the blood, which causes it to stiffen out and resemble a rod, such for instance as the Wands used by the Magicians of India and Egypt. When thrown on the ground it revived, and what seemed but a moment before, to be a mere rod of wood becomes a living snake. The animal made use of by Moses, was the water snake, the nature of which is on the approach of danger, to open its mouth and receive its young, affording them shelter from real or fancied danger.

“The serpent was used in Egypt as a symbol, to show the eternity of God, which it represented when convoluted, “without beginning or end.” The serpent was tended with great care in this country, where they often increased in the genera of their species. The Magicians made use of the young, while Moses performed with the Dam. These feats greatly surprised the people of those days, and have ever since by the uneducated, been heralded among men as miracles. The ignorant often believe what they least understand. Stripped of their apparent mystery, and viewed as the natural consequence resulting from the laws of nature, they exhibit their master spirit when claiming miraculous powers of God and in an unenviable light.

“There were other feats done by Moses, which the Jews have taken no notice of; one of which was washing the hands

in boiling oil. To accomplish which a large caldron was partly filled with water, on the top of which was poured a quantity of oil. The properties of these fluids are antagonistic and will not mix without an alkali, as soon as the fire is ignited the water only boils, while the oil is scarcely more than blood warm. Therefore, when the hands were thrust into the oil, without submerging them into the water they received no injury. When the hand of a criminal, furnished for the feat, in order to convert the feat into a miracle, was thrust down below the oil into water, by the Priest, who performed the feat, its results would be the injury received; one would be burned while the other received no harm. In some of the ancient countries, this feat was performed on feast days, and always when it was desired by the King to promulgate a new law, which often, in order to command, a proper observance was proclaimed by the High Priest, as coming by inspiration from God, and the feat with the oil would be done to convince the people of the inspiration of the law. This feat, viewed by an idle and ignorant throng, with eyes for seeing wonders, and tongues for telling them, would be swallowed with implicit confidence and magnified into a miracle, as an exploit accomplished for the gratification of man by the interposition of God.

“Boiling eggs in cold water, or rather without fire, was considered one of the miracles of old. A large marble vase was used for the purpose, in which cold water was poured, in which were placed the eggs. All things being ready, unperceived by the vast multitude, before whom the feat was usually performed, the performer slyly dropped into the vase a large piece of unslacked lime, whereupon, the eggs would immediately commence cooking, and in four minutes by the sun dial, they would be fit to eat.”

CHAPTER IV.

An account given by Arbaces the Egyptian, including the third period of time; Origin of the Doctrine of the Transmigration of the Soul; Curious Account, and cause of the Preservation of the Beetle; Thebes, Nineveh and Babylon; Thebes city of Gods; Her Greatness and Present Ruins; Angelic Spirits Communicating with Man; Moses, Socrates and Mahomet; The Eneffable Name of the Deity; Account of Jesus.

"I am he, who first taught the doctrine of the Transmigration of the Soul; a theory in after times, well known to the Greeks, some of whom speak of me in their writings. But, I am not to be confounded with the Arbaces mentioned in the work called the "Last Days of Pompeii," for he is a person of fiction, with no existence in reality, being manufactured by the author to embellish his story, but, I am the first teacher of my own doctrines, the Transmigration of the Soul. I lived when the Pyramids were young, when Moses was yet a boy, and Aaron worked as a brick-maker, when Nineveh, Babylon and Thebes were in their glory. In the last mentioned city I was born, she was called the city of the eternal God, and was the residence of Kings, here the proud Pharaoh's (Kings) of Egypt surrounded with the wealth of human grandeur held their court. It was here, amid the temples of learning, with the sages of my day, that I passed through the pilgrimage of life. And long have I watched over her as she early inclined towards decay, till, like her illustrious antitypes, Nineveh and Babylon, she slumbers in irretrievable ruin, and age on age, adding to her decay, but sinks her deeper and deeper in her own dust, until all that once constituted her magnificent greatness, is lost in oblivion.

Thebes is no more! She fulfilled the destiny of her day, and like the years which have ceased to be counted on the great cycle of time, has departed never to return. Her sacred temples, her palaces and dilapidated walls, her tottering and fallen pillars, all speak in language loud and mournful the melancholy story of her ruin. I taught that the soul as soon as it left the body, entered into that of the beetle, because it was

the grossest of insects, not being able to fly but a little way at a time, and that in the night time. My theory included also animals and reptiles. This was the reason why the Egyptians preserved the beetle with so much care. It was embalmed and carefully put away in the catacombs and pyramids, where it remained for centuries. This is new to you, for the learned men of modern times have long been perplexed as to the object the Egyptians had in preserving the beetle. Much has been done since my time to undo the evil of that day.

"Ere I left the world men began to worship the bull and the crocodile. The last mentioned animal, from his amphibious qualities, is enabled to live either on land or in water, and swarm in great numbers in the lakes and rivers of this part of the world, being such a terror to the people, and so operating on their minds, as to lead them to desire its conciliation. Some through an instinctive dread worshipped them. Many, supposing that the souls of the sinful took up their abode in the crocodile and remained there until they exhibited signs of higher development. This is an outline of early idolatry in Egypt. Development means progress in wisdom and love.—I am but one among the spirits of your brethren who left your world for another, and now revisit you to impart truths, which if lived up to, will place man higher in the scale of spirit blessedness than the brightest religionist the church ever boasted. We have in all ages communicated intelligence to man, in various ways, this is a part of the development of higher progress. We were with Moses in solitude, with Mahomet in his cave, and with Socrates in secret places. Moses, when in solitude, was a different person from what he seemed to be when he was leader of the Jews. Mahomet in his cave, was quite another man from what he was when at the head of his army. Socrates declared that when in secret places, he could not only feel but see our presence. They all worshiped the same God.

"God is a principle, whose attributes are Wisdom, Love and Truth.* He is omnipotent and omnipresent, combining the male and female principle. We have said that his attributes are trinal; they are Wisdom the Father, Love the Mother, and

*Truth is the product of Wisdom and Love. Hence the saying with the ancients, "Osiris the Sun and Isis the Moon—male and female—and Horus the son."

Truth which is the child. God is not three in one, yet he is the same God whom Jesus instructed men to love and venerate, of infinite goodness and love, being the same to the African, the New Zealander and the Caucasian, that he is to the olive-cheeked, almond-eyed Asiatic. He is that God whom the learned Hindoos and the wise men of antiquity adored, unlike him whom Moses created for the Jews to worship; who is said to have spoken through the thunders and amidst the lightnings, with passions like unto man, vindictive and in anger terrible.

“We have elsewhere said that man is trinal, possessing body, soul and spirit. The gross and sinful man passes through two changes, or deaths. He seems to die twice. The first transition is that from the mundane to the celestial sphere. The second is the change which takes place after the development of the spirit, in its progress from the sphere of the sinful to that of happiness and love, wisdom and truth. The soul after this transition returns to matter. The spirit is material, even the thought is matter. When one passes through the transition called death, the soul returns to matter and the minerals and flesh, of which the body is composed, return to their elements, while the spirit moves to the sphere of spirits of kindred congeniality and continues to progress in divine wisdom throughout an endless eternity.”

APPENDIX.

The 26th verse of the 1st chapter of Genesis, which reads in our (King James') translation, "And God said let us make man in our image, after our likeness," stands in the original Hebrew thus, Adm Bymana Xdmuhnu. B'yl means in great shadow or sound, and not, as it has been translated, "image." Mnu is the m'nu of the Sanscrit language, from nu species, idea, quality; nu new, youn, thus meaning the new kind of being. X'dm means identity; muh, passage; hn gift, meaning having given them the gift of similarity. Adam is in the plural, and means mankind. We herewith render the correct translation, which the reader will see has a meaning quite different from that in the text. It seems that the Angel and not God is speaking to his compeers, "Let us make a new kind of men, (Adm) superior in their species, like unto Angels."

As a proof of the fact, that the soul remains with the body until corruption takes place, I refer the reader to the restoration of the "Widow's Son," by Elijah, the Prophet. And, also to the affair of Christ in the resuscitation to life of Lazarus.

Samicond was a native of Delhi, and was on a visit to Egypt at the time of his death, which accounts for his remains being embalmed in that country. The word Samicond means in the sanscrit, the great one. Necropolis means city of the dead.

The Hebrew Alphabet consists entirely of consonants. The vowel sounds were originally supplied by the reader, while reading, he being previously made acquainted with the correct pronunciation of the word and letter, and, if he did not possess this knowledge, the letters before him could not supply it, and he was of course unable to pronounce the word. I have always been of the opinion and am still, that the letter H. in Hebrew has the sound of a vowel. A child might ask "what vowel," but a philosopher could not answer it. Some of the Hebrew words mentioned in this work and necessary to understand are: Adunial, Divine Lord; Adunai, Lord; Adnith, Lord of Spirits; Aduni abi, Lord and father; Abi, meaning my God, in Hebrew, becomes Eli in Syriac with the same signification; Allah means the same thing in modern Arabic, but is different in old Arabic. Zerubbable is not, as is supposed by Masons, a proper name, or the name of any person. It is a compound word, zer, or zerah, is east or brightness; ubba is a contraction of father, which the Deity is often styled, and Bel is known to be the sun, its true meaning is God our Father, masonic meaning of the word is the dispersion of confusion. Possessive case, Abi our Father. Christ spoke the Syriac language.

The main cause for secrecy of the holy name of God, which in the opinion of Josephus, was incommunicable, arose from the mistake, or the misplacing of a single letter. The Jews by the change of a single letter made the word *Polam*, (which signifies forever,) read *Edam*, that is, "to be concealed," and they accordingly so translated it "this is my name to be concealed," instead of "this is my name forever." The word Hebrew in that language is "Obri." Teral is HRH in Hebrew. The plural of Israelites in Hebrew is Ierali, and the Idumeans, adumi. In Hebrew. Sarah is Euacre, and means sisterly lady. Isaac is Iyek, pronounced A izek; Ishmael is Iemoal, in Hebrew; Job in Hebrew is Aub; and the word Salem

in Hebrew is CLM, the letter C, having the sound of CSH. In the Hebrew language there are no vowels, and every letter is sounded. In translating from this language, I had first to make a Dictionary, so destitute is the English of such an article. The word "Jachin," the right hand Pillar of Solomon's Temple, is composed of two Hebrew words "jah," God, and "iachin" will establish, or God will establish. Masonry is founded on the Angelic Religion, and no power can prevail against it. This is a subject which has perplexed its thousands, and is truly an interesting topic.

When we translate "Eloim," Jehovah, we but follow the crowd and are wrong. Some Nations write it thus, "jod," others again, "Hi," H sounding like Hau, and others "Hi-vau-hi," from the Hebrew verb "harah" which has been. Some write it "jevo" and "jao." The Jews preserved the name in the Tetragramaton, as the hidden name of four letters too holy to be pronounced, and always used it in a whisper. The Chaldeans wrote it "Bel." The Egyptians "on," and David wrote it "Jah." The members of the "Royal Arch," in their zeal for reputation, combine three words and write it "Jah-bel-on." The word in Hebrew is composed of four letters, and I translate it *Ieue*, meaning the living God, self-existent,—the cause of causes, from "je" eternal being and "ue with life. The full meaning of this word Ieue, written Ivah, according to the sound of the letters, is he who is, was, and will be. "I am," is nearer to its real sound and meaning than anything else, I need say no more on this point. It is amusing to see the diversity of opinion among societies in relation to this word. It is pretended to be preserved in the system of "Free Masonry." The church of England pretends to have it, the Pope and Cardinals of the See of Rome, all pretend to have this holy name in keeping. My opinion is that neither of the above mentioned parties are correct, or ever were in possession of it. We would mention that the word "Eloim" is the plural (in Hebrew) and means Gods, according to Dr. Adam Clark, Dr. Thos. Scott, and, in fact, numerous other writers on the Bible. This thing has been one of the main stumbling blocks to skeptics, and the great wonder is, that no one has, as yet, attempted to render its correct translation into English, and that the subject should be left to be done by a "showman," is not a little surprising. Eloim or Aleim, really means spirits not Gods. Ale is the divine entity of soul, often erroneously written by modern Jews "Elohim." It is the collective manifold manifestations of the spirit applied to Angels or spirits, as for instance in the Witch of Endor, "raising Samuel from the dead," when asked by Saul what she saw, answered; "behold I saw Gods (Eloim) (spirits in Hebrew) ascending out of the earth," but it should read "behold I saw spirits ascending out of the earth." The very idea of God or Gods coming out of the earth is, to say the least of it, absurd.

The practice of consulting spirits, which some thoughtless persons vainly try to ridicule, is more ancient than Moses himself. And modern spiritualists do not, in any way, differ from their ancient brethren, save that in old times they called it consulting the Lord, (Adonia.) The word Lord does not mean the Deity, that is, the ineffable God. It means angelic spirits, or spirit. By the Greeks and Romans it was called the oracle. Jehovah, whom we term God, was none other than the first High Priest before the flood. He often took the title of the God as being inspired by Deity. It was customary, in most of the old countries, at an early day, for the Priest to be called God. The Budists called them celestial Kings, but the Chinese and Japanese call them Gods.

In the Hebrew CH, stands for Seth, and "Beni Aleim" is translated Sons of God. It really means "Sons of Spirits," for Aleim is the plural, and there is but one God. Seth means foundation. He was not a son of Adam, but the head of a distinct tribe, and communicated divine knowledge to mankind after the fall. Several of his books are still preserved by the Armenians and the Hindoos.

The Chinese name for the Deity is "Josh." This reminds one of the

Quaker christening. The fellow took up the child and said, "I take thee up and I lay thee down, and thy name shall be "Josh."

Noah was known in Central Asia as the "Great Prophet and law-giver." He lived three hundred years after the flood, and had many sons besides the three mentioned in the Jewish Bible. In India he was called Menn, and wrote ten books, including the "Laws of Menn," under inspiration.

The Mosaic history, and nearly all the books of Genesis, are taken from his records. There were eighty persons with him at the time he entered the Ark. The passage of Scripture, "and Noah went into the Ark, and his sons and his wife and and his sons wives with him," should be rendered eighty instead of eight persons.

Ninrod, and the Faction that followed him, were unbelievers. He derived no consolation from the preaching of Noah or Shem, and commenced building a Tower to escape a future flood, an evidence of his own depravity and the withdrawal from him of the holy influence of the spirit of God.

The Sythians are Seth's descendants. Enoch was the first born son of Seth, and appointed by his father, King and Priest of the Zabeans whose founder he was.

The book written by Enoch, long supposed to be lost, has been lately found in Abyssinia.

Moses, means saved from the waters ; his real name was Moses Jachim.

At the building of the Temple of Solomon there were two persons by the name of Hiram, one was the King of Tyre, and the other was an artisan, High Priest of the Dionysians. The Masons, when alluding to him, call him "Hiram Abif,"—Hiram my Father." It is the possessive case, and "*Our Father Hiram*" would be correct. The French and English versions translate it "Hiram Abif." It must not be forgotten that the French translation is from the English and not from the Hebrew. The Masons have followed these versions in their use of the word. There is no authority in the Bible, after all, for the phrase "Hiram Abif." It stands in the Scripture Hiram Abi, and I here translate it literally, "Hiram the Master."

There is but one writer, Luther, the "German Reformer," (but he is a host in himself) who coincides with me in the translation thus rendered.

I am not zealous of biblical reputation, either as a theologian or translator of the Bible, for I have not the time, even had I the inclination, to devote much attention to the subject, yet am unwilling to relinquish a principle that I know to be true. And, although a "showman," traveling through the country with an exhibition, I consider it no flattery, deviation from truth or propriety, to assert, that I am a better oriental scholar, than many of those who set themselves up as public Teachers with high claims to knowledge, whose pretensions rest on no other foundations than those of impertinence and conceit. "What a man does not understand himself, he cannot explain to an enquirer." Persons unaware of their own ignorance generally believe what they least understand.

The word "Trinity," applied to God, is improper. It means three in one. He is not three in one, though His attributes are triune. He is one Supreme and ever-living God, without beginning or end.

The ancient inhabitants of Jericho, had on their banner the figures of the sun and moon, hence the language of the Jewish General Joshua, "Sun stand thou still on Gibeon, and thou Moon, in the valley of Ajalon," must be construed as to mean the banner of this people, and not the great luminaries that give warmth by day and light by night. The idea of the sun and moon standing still is preposterous.

The National banner of Persia, had on it a lion emblazoned with the sun rising from his back. And the seal of the King of Persia, to this day, has engraved on it a figure of Sol (sun) in the constellation of Leo. (lion.)

From the fact that there were other tribes on the earth, than the descendants of Adam, it is not difficult to conjecture how Cain obtained his wife in the land of "Nod."

The doctrines of Pythagoras were called Therrigy, and were a part of Masonry. Therrigy is a compound word, Theos God, and ergon work, and signifies spiritual influence operating by divine means, the power of doing extraordinary things by prayer and invocation to God.

Masonry took its rise in Delhi, India, and was instituted by the Brahms, [Bramins,] for the purpose of guarding themselves against the secular power of the State, and for obtaining information from the people, that they might be kept well informed of all matters concerning the empire. It soon spread throughout the old world, and was organized in various countries under different names. In Egypt, it was known as the Egyptian mysteries, with Osiris symbolizing the sun as the principle of life and God of the day; the moon (Isis) as the Goddess of the nuptial rites and Queen of the night. There were seven degrees in all; only three, however, were conferred on the common people, and five on those of a higher rank. The other two, completing the seven, were never conferred on any outside of the Priesthood. The neophyte was initiated at twenty-one years of age, seven years to each degree, so that the high priest was seventy years of age before he could officiate as priest of the nation, this was the case in India.

The forty-seventh problem of the first book of Euclid: The square of the base is four, 4 times 4 are sixteen; the square of the perpendicular is three, 3 times 3 are nine, and the square of the hypotenuse is five, 5 times 5 are twenty-five. 25 is the sum of 9 and 16, and, therefore, the square of the longest side is equal to the sum of the other two squares—considering it in a mathematical point of view—masonically, it has another and a more important meaning, namely: The large square refers to the Divine mind, while the two smaller squares, acting as angles, represent the two paths through life, one leading to vice and misery, and the other to peace and happiness.

The Pope and the clergy of the Catholic church are reviled for forgiving sins. The idea is by no means new. The Egyptians exercised the same power over the minds of their followers, and the Jews had their sin-offering and their atonement. They had their "mercy seat" over the ark of the covenant, where a being, represented as a God, sat and signified weal or wo to the suppliant.

The wings of the cherubim, over the mercy seat, were erect, so are the wings of the eagle on the American coin: the wings in both cases being intended to answer the same purpose. From this was taken the grand sign of * * * belonging to the "Royal Arch," degree.

The main theme of all the mysterious orders of antiquity, was the doctrine that there was one God, the Supreme Ruler of the Universe, and a future state of rewards and punishments.

The books of Noah and Enoch, were the works from which the ancients derived their knowledge of the Divine God. It is evident that Plato was familiar with the book of Enoch. He says, "tell me of the God On, which is and never knew beginning." Seneca, the Roman writer, seems to have been equally well versed in the same work. Speaking of God, he says: "It is of little consequence by what name you call the first nature and the Divine reason that presides over the Universe, he is still the same God. You may give Him as many names as you please, provided you allow but

one soul principle, everywhere present." Pretty good idea of God, for one who is called by Christian writers a "heathen."

The idea of sacrificing a human being to appease the storm, is carried out in the affair of the story of Jonah being swallowed by the whale. The word Jonah, in Hebrew, means dove, and the whale is not an inhabitant of the Mediterranean sea, neither is the throat of the whale sufficiently large to swallow a ball six inches in diameter, let alone swallowing a man.

A word to my particular friends, and to those who can understand me on this point. It is a well known fact that that passage in the 1st chapter of the Gospel of St. John. "In the beginning was the word," etc., is an interpolation and not in the original work. The divine Logos, therefore, belongs to the Egyptian mysteries. The application in the lodge, however, is pretty ingenious.

Another point concerning Hiram. The cassia, or acacia, did not grow near Jerusalem, but is common in Egypt, an evidence that the murder of Hiram is derived from the Egyptian mysteries, in which it but faintly imitates the murder of Osiris by Typhon. My friends will understand this point without saying any more on this subject. A word to the wise is sufficient for them.

The Dionysians were an order originally instituted for the worship of the Supreme Being, and was a branch of the Egyptian mysteries, but before the time of Solomon the ORDER had greatly degenerated into the practice of idolatry, substituting for adoration in place of the Supreme Being, the serpent, which they had always used as a symbol of the eternity of God. The serpent when convoluted, with its tail in its mouth, represented a circle. The Deity is represented as a being without beginning or end. The first snake ever used for this purpose was a white one. This kind of snake is singularly formed, being shaped like a triangle, besides being transparent.

Dionysous and Bacchus are the same. Deo-Naasha, among the Phœnicians, Deo God, and Naasha snake. That is, the God Snake. Naasha is also the Hebrew for snake. There was very little difference between the Egyptian, the Phœnician and the Hebrew languages, in fact, the Egyptian and Hebrew were the same.

The symbol of the snake originated in the mysteries of Osiris, the Egyptian mysteries. But at the building of Solomon's Temple, the Dionysian and the true mysteries, which had been preserved by the Jews, were merged together into one, and what is now called Masonry, then received its present order. Solomon, King Hiram and Master Hiram, High Priest of the Dionysians at Tyre, constituting themselves Grand Masters, gave Masonry its present organization, instituting Wardens, Senior Wardens, Junior Wardens, High Priests, Chapters, &c. A proper want of this knowledge has led many of the fraternity to place the origin of the order at the building of Solomon's Temple. It was in existence centuries before Solomon was born.

The two pillars in the Masonic lodge ("Jachin and Boaz,") properly mean to represent Osiris and Isis. Osiris the sun and Isis the moon. Jachin is from Jarac, the Hebrew for moon, and Boaz is compounded of Lord, the sun. The main features of all these secret orders is the unseen power that governs the subordinate, who is subject to a superior that he can neither see nor approach.

Samicond speaks of the city of the Gods. Thebes of Egypt was called "Deo Opolis," city of God. He also alludes to the city of No. Amon No the abode of Ham.

The Assyrians had on their banner a dove; the Arabians had on theirs a

raven, hence a stupid Dutch writer, treating on the antiquity of the Arabs, and mistaking the emblem on their banner for the people, calls them a nation of crows.

The native of Hindostan chisels out of wood or stone, an object which he calls his God, and bows down to it in adoration. And for this the Christian calls him a heathen. The devout Catholic tells his beads and prays in the name of some Saint long dead. And the New England Puritan calls him a bigot, while he pictures to himself an object with a human form and passions like man, and prays to it as his God. *Surely, who is the heathen! who is the bigot! and who is the Christian?*

The word Paradise is a Sanscrit word, and is derived from Para-desa. It means pure land, and is the same in Hebrew that it is in Sanscrit.

The bee among the ancients was a symbol of chastity, with the Masons it means industry. *Keep an eye on the "land marks."*

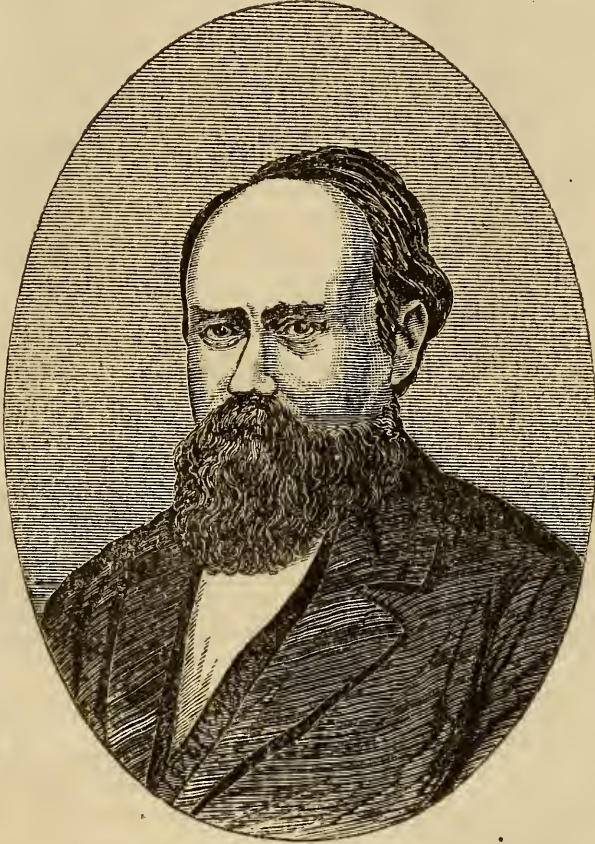
Iron will swim in molten lead. But I did not know that iron would swim in water. Elisha, the Prophet, says he "made iron swim in water." With all my knowledge of magic, I must confess myself unable to perform this feat.

The sun is the fountain of light to the world, so is the eye to the body. They are both expressed by the same word in most of the ancient languages. My brethren are in error, in supposing that the eye represents the true God. It means nothing more nor less than the symbol of the sun, made so by the Egyptians from whom it descended to the present fraternity.

It was Seth who erected the two pillars in the land of Seirath, on which were written the prediction of the flood, and the final destruction of the earth by fire. Manetho, a Greek writer, though an Egyptian by birth, says he saw these "pillars." Josephus, the Jewish historian, who lived several centuries later than Manetho, and seventy years after the birth of Christ, says that he saw them.

ERRATUM—On 16th page, last line, read Deputy for Deity.

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The Gastric Juice of the Stomach, and that which is most important in the digestive process, is an acid. When this is deficient in quantity, or depreciated in quality, indigestion is the legitimate result, with all the varied symptoms of the confirmed dyspeptic. Most people afflicted with this disease depend upon soda or some alkali to sweeten the stomach.— This, of course, gives temporary relief, but seldom cures, and often makes the disease incurable by neutralizing the already depreciated gastric juice. Thus it is evident that alkalies should not be used as palliatives even. Stimulants and tonics with occasionally a blue pill are next resorted to. These remedies often give temporary relief but never cure a confirmed case of Dyspepsia, and when these remedies are persisted in for a certain length of time, the

stomach and liver will refuse to respond even to increased doses. Then comes the crash.—A torpid liver and a stomach weak to respond to stimulants or tonics, produces the "Dyspeptic Hypochondriac," the most pitiable human being on God's green earth. The great desideratum then, is to find an agent to restore the stomach to its normal action, after being reduced to this deplorable condition. He who accomplishes this object will certainly be acknowledged a benefactor to his race. Well, afflicted friends, I have entered the ring for the prize and expect to take the first premium; and it will be awarded by the afflicted thousands who have been and will be cured by the "Digestive Fluid." This remedy is adapted to any stage of the disease and you will receive benefit from the first dose taken. Many will be curious to know what this remedy is. In the first place I will tell you what it is not. It is not a stimulant, still it will increase the action of the stomach by establishing the healthy digestive process. It is not a tonic, but will give tone to the stomach by promptly digesting the food, thus allowing the stomach the proper interval of rest. The Digestive Fluid is not an alkali, but directly the opposite; still it will promptly neutralize the vitiated acids of the stomach and thus remove heartburn, eructations of gas or food, or sickness of the stomach. It is not a disinfectant, but it will remove foul breath, coated tongue, spongy gums, and all diseases of the mouth and teeth resulting from a foul or weak stomach. It is not a cathartic but will remove constipation, by chemically uniting with the bile, which is an alkali, producing the natural physic of the alimentary canal. It is neither a vegetable nor a mineral, neither is the gastric juice, of which this is an imitation as near as the laws of chemistry will permit outside the human stomach.

Dyspepsia often commences with the infant: flatulency, raising gas or wind, colic pains &c. Most mothers immediately drug the little fellows with cordials, soothing syrup, &c.—This is nothing more or less than too much acidity, the result of fermentation of the milk.—A few drops of the Digestive Fluid will give relief immediately. For children give it in sweetened water. In cases of fever of any kind, a teaspoonful in a tumbler of water sweetened, makes a refreshing drink, and is pleasant as lemonade.

Most people of sedentary habits, especially those engaged in business that requires mental labor, are more or less affected with gastric derangement. We especially recommend this remedy to this class of people. We would call the attention of another class: People that live fast have plenty of means, and are determined to enjoy the good things of this life regardless of consequences, although the penalty must be paid some time. The Digestive fluid will put off the pay day much farther in the future, and when you conclude to return to steady habits like the prodigal son, it will restore you to your first inheritance.

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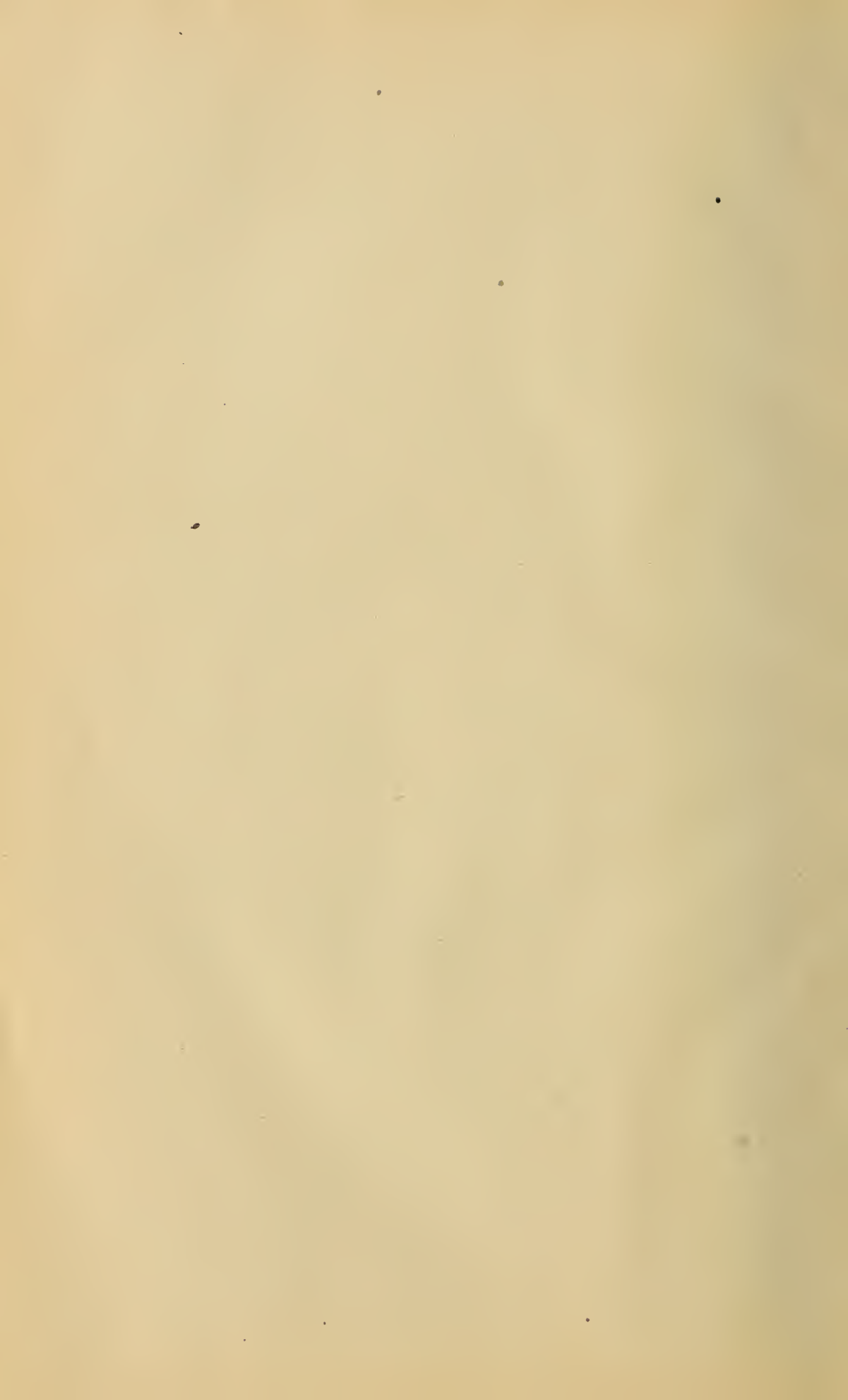
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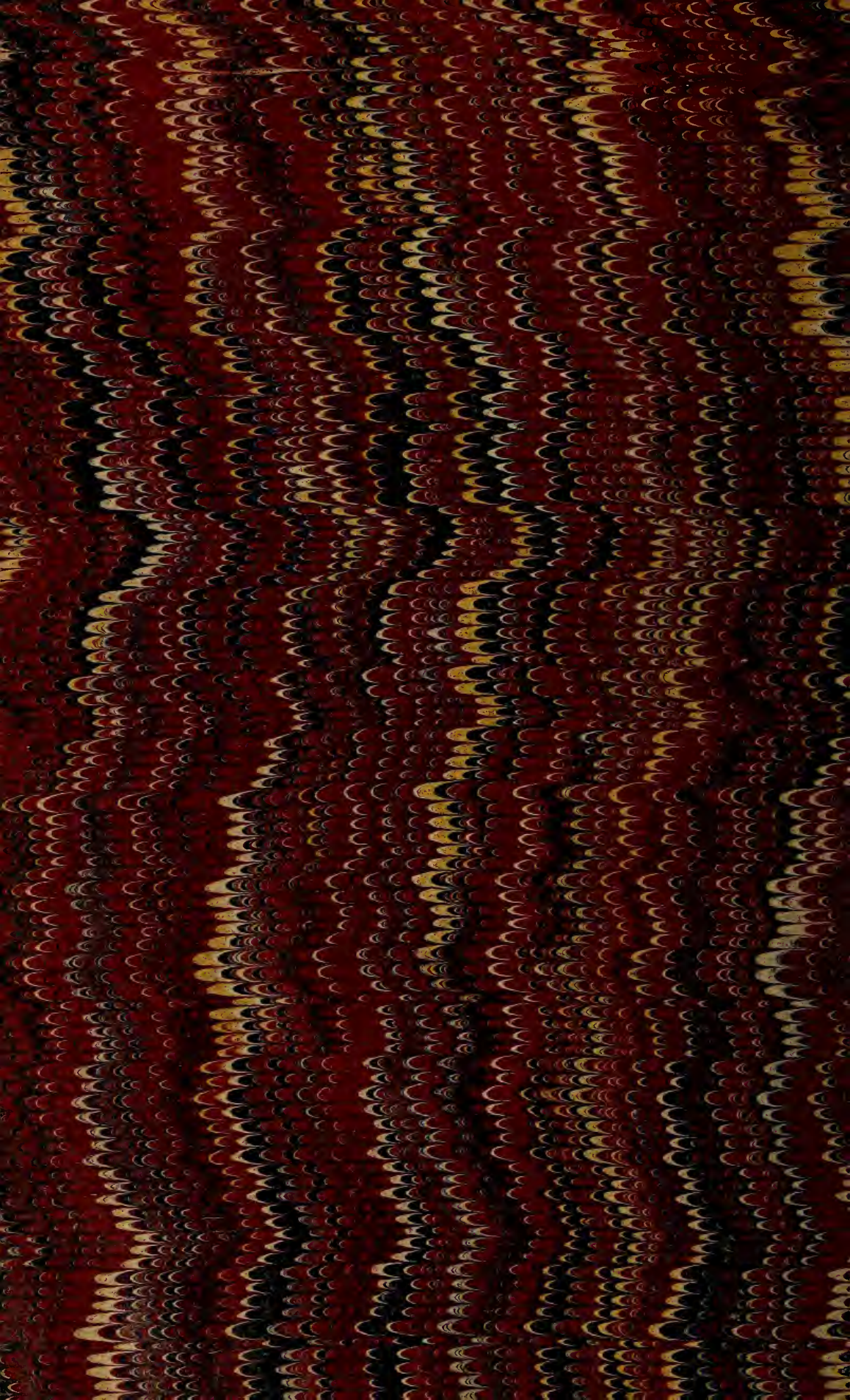
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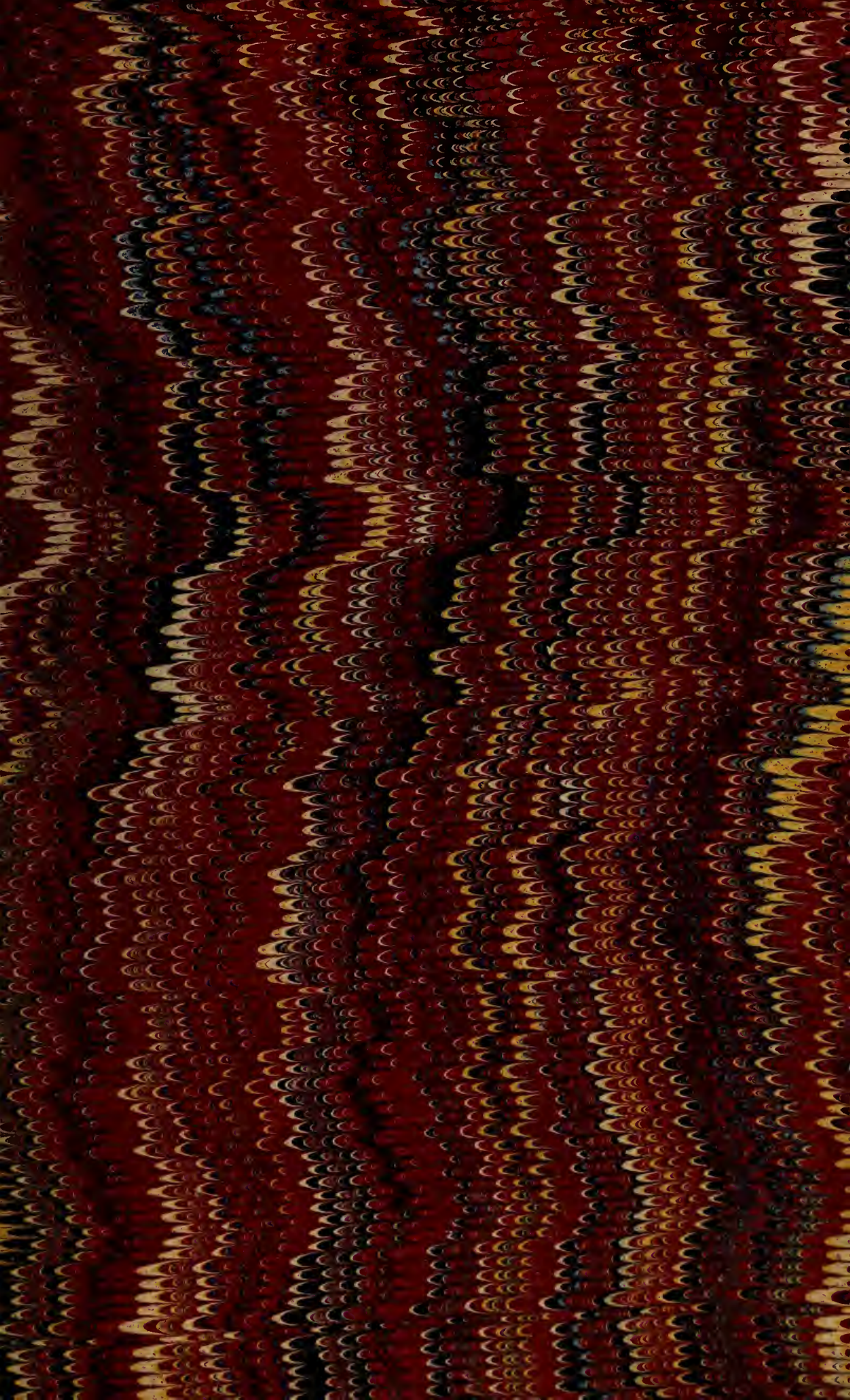




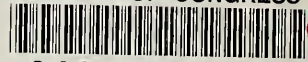


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